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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CFED, CVIS, AS (LEA, DARRELL)

SUBJ: THEFT FROM SS MARIPOSA; VISA APPLICANT

REF: MANILA 3199 (NOTAL)

1. COMMONWEALTH POLICE SOURCE STATES LEA TO APPEAR IN SPECIAL FEDERAL COURT ON 24 APRIL TO ANSWER CHARGES OF ILLEGAL EXPORT OF FUNDS. TO BE REPRESENTED BY SIR JACK CASSIDY, QC, LEADING SYDNEY BARRISTER, WHO WILL ATTEMPT KEEEP LEA'S NAME OUT OF PAPERS. DEPUTY CROWN SOLICITOR (DCS) ASKING FOR AUST DOLS 10,000

BAIL, PLUS SURRENDER OF PASSPORT. AND REPORTING IN TO POLICE ON REGULAR BASIS.

2. LEA HAS APPLIED TO TREASURY TO TAKE FURTHER AUST DOLS 186,000 OUT OF COUNTRY, STATING HE WISHES TO GO TO USA PERMANENTLY. NO RECORD SYDNEY OF APPLICATION FOR IMMIGRANT VISA, OR FOR INVESTOR STATUS. ASSUME FROM PREVIOUS HISTORY THAT HE WILL WISH INVEST THESE FUNDS IN MULTISHU, NY. HIS SOLICITOR ALSO TOLD COMMONWEALTH POLICE THAT LEA INTENDED DEPART PERMANENTLY.

3. FOR DEPT: LEA CLAIMED JAN 21, 1974 THAT HE HAD HAD STOLEN FROM HIM ABOARD SS MARIPOSA AUST DOLS 179,500 WHICH WERE HIDDEN IN RECORD PLAYER AND PORTABLE RADIO.

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ADMITTED TO AUST CONSUL HONOLULU THAT MONEY HAD BEEN

TAKEN OUT OF AUSTRALIA IN CONTRAVENTION EXCHANGE
CONTROL REGULATIONS. CLAIMED HE INTENDED INVEST
FUNDS IN MULTISHU COMPANY
1645 MADISON AVE.,
NYC, WHERE CONTACT IS HARVEY EPSTEIN, VP.
SUSPICION CENTERED ON LEA'S VALET/COMPANION, NANDO
VALLI, THEN ON FELLOW-PASSENGER, DENIS TOMBS, WHO
NOW RETURNED TO SYDNEY. VALLI IN ITALY.

4. RE LEA'S INTENTIONS RESIDE USA, POLICE SOURCE WILL
RAISE SUBJECT OF IMMIGRANT VISA WITH CASSIDY DURING
INTERVIEW TOMORROW. IF/WHEN POLICE OBTAIN LEA'S PASSPORT,
WILL GIVE CONSUL INFO RE CURRENT NIV, WHICH SHOULD BE
CANCELLED WHEN HIS RESIDENCE INTENTIONS ARE FULLY
ASCERTAINED. MEANWHILE, DEPT REQUESTED NOTIFY INS
THAT LEA NOT CONSIDERED BONA FIDE NIV VIEW HIS OWN
STATEMENTS TO THIRD PARTIES, INCLUDING NEWSPAPER
REPORTERS PRIOR HIS SAILING ON MARIPOSA LAST JANUARY.

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